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$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{3}} X - R_{5} \qquad (I)$$

(57) Abstract

Compounds of the formula (I), wherein X and  $R_1$  to  $R_5$  are as defined in the description, are useful for treating disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.

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### **Pyridine derivatives**

The invention relates to the use of 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo-pyridines for modulating the activity of mGluRs and for treating mGluR5 mediated diseases, to pharmaceutical compositions for use in such therapy, as well as to novel 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo-pyridines.

It has been found that 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo-pyridines including the pharmaceutically acceptable salts (hereinafter agents of the invention) are useful as modulators of mGluRs. Modulation of mGluRs can be demonstrated in a variety of ways, inter alia, in binding assays and functional assays such as second messenger assays or measurement of changes in intracellular calcium concentrations. For example, measurement of the inositol phosphate turnover in recombinant cell lines expressing hmGluR5a showed, for selected agents of the invention, IC<sub>50</sub> values of about 1 nM to about 50μM.

In particular, the agents of the invention have valuable pharmacological properties. For example, they exhibit a marked and selective modulating, especially antagonistic, action at human metabotropic glutamate receptors (mGluRs). This can be determined in vitro for example at recombinant human metabotropic glutamate receptors, especially PLC-coupled subtypes thereof such as mGluR5, using different procedures like, for example, measurement of the inhibition of the agonist induced elevation of intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentration in accordance with L. P. Daggett et al. Neuropharm. Vol. 34, pages 871-886 (1995), P. J. Flor et al., J. Neurochem. Vol. 67, pages 58-63 (1996) or by determination to what extent the agonist induced elevation of the inositol phosphate turnover is inhibited as described by T. Knoepfel et al. Eur. J. Pharmacol. Vol. 288, pages 389-392 (1994), L. P. Daggett et al., Neuropharm. Vol. 67, pages 58-63 (1996) references cited therein. Isolation and expression of human mGluR subtypes are described in US-Patent No. 5,521,297. Selected agents of the invention showed IC<sub>50</sub> values for the inhibition of the quisqualate-induced inositol phosphate turnover, measured in recombinant cells expressing hmGluR5a of about 1nM to about 50μM.

Accordingly the invention relates to agents of the invention for use in the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.

Disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission are for example epilepsy, cerebral ischemias, especially acute ischemias, ischemic diseases of the eye, muscle spasms such as local or general spasticity and, in particula, convulsions or pain.

Nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5 are for example acute, traumatic and chronic degenerative processes of the nervous system, such as Parkinson's disease, senile dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Huntington's chorea, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and multiple sclerosis, psychiatric diseases such as schizophrenia and anxiety, depression and pain.

The invention also relates to the use of agents of the invention, in the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by Group I mGluRs.

Furthermore the invention relates to the use of agents of the invention for the manufacture of a pharmaceutical composition designed for the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by Group I mGluRs.

In a further aspect the invention relates to a method of treating disorders mediated full or in part by group I mGluRs (preferentially mGluR5) which method comprises administering to a warm-blooded organism in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of an agent of the invention.

In still a further aspect, the invention relates to novel 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo-pyridines and their salts, and to a process for preparing them.

Moreover the invention relates to a pharmaceutical composition comprising as pharmaceutical active ingredient, together with customary pharmaceutical excipients, a novel 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- or 2-heteroarylazo-pyridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Agents of the invention are for example compounds of formula I

$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{3}} X - R_{5}$$

$$R_{1} = N$$

$$(1),$$

### wherein

R<sub>1</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy-lower alkyl lower alkyl-amino, piperidino, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted N-lower-alkyl-N-phenylcarbamoyl, lower alkoxy, halo-lower alkyl or halo-lower alkoxy,

R<sub>2</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, hydroxylower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy or lower alkanoyloxy, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, R<sub>3</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, lower alkoxy-carbonyl, lower alkyl-carbamoyl, hydroxy- lower alkyl, di- lower alkyl- aminomethyl, morpholinocarbonyl or 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy,

R<sub>4</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, amino-lower alkyl, lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, di-lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, unsubstituted or hydroxy-substituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino-lower alkoxy, di-lower alkylamino-lower alkoxy, phthalimido-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or hydroxy- or 2-oxo-imidazolidin-1-yl-substituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkoxy, carboxy, esterified or amidated carboxy, carboxy-lower-alkoxy or esterified carboxy-lower-alkoxy,

X represents an optionally halo-substituted lower alkenylene or alkynylene group bonded via vicinal unsaturated carbon atoms or an azo (-N=N-) group, and

R<sub>5</sub> denotes an aromatic or heteroaromatic group which is unsubstituted or substituted by one or more substituents selected from lower alkyl, halo, halo-lower alkyl, halo-lower alkoxy, lower alkenyl, lower alkynyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkynyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, lower alkanoyloxy-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkenyloxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-, lower alkylamino-, lower alkanoylamino- or N-lower alkyl-N-lower alkanoylamino-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or

trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkoxy, acyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, cyano, carboxy-lower alkylamino, esterified carboxy-lower alkylamino, amidated carboxy-lower alkylamino, phosphono-lower alkylamino, esterified phosphono-lower alkylamino, nitro, amino, lower alkylamino, di-lower alkylamino, acylamino, Iv-acyl-N-lower alkylamino, phenylamino, phenyl-lower alkylamino, cycloalkyl-lower alkylamino or heteroaryl-lower alkylamino each of which may be unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted, customary photoaffinity ligands and customary radioactive markers, inclusive of their N-oxides and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts.

Compounds of formula I having basic groups may form acid addition salts, and compounds of the formula I having acidic groups may form salts with bases. Compounds of formula I having basic groups and in addition having at least one acidic group, may also form internal salts.

Also included are both total and partial salts, that is to say salts with 1, 2 or 3, preferably 2, equivalents of base per mole of acid of formula I, or salts with 1, 2 or 3 equivalents, preferably 1 equivalent, of acid per mole of base of formula I.

For the purposes of isolation or purification it is also possible to use pharmaceutically unacceptable salts. Only the pharmaceutically acceptable, non-toxic salts are used therapeutically and they are therefore preferred.

Halo in the present description denotes fluorine, chlorine, bromine or iodine.

When X represents an alkenylene group, configuration trans is preferred.

Preferred compounds of formula I are those wherein

- X represents an optionally halo-substituted (C<sub>2-4</sub>)alkenylene or alkynylene group bonded via vicinal unsaturated carbon atoms,
- R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, cyano, ethynyl, carboxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino, (C<sub>1-6</sub>)alkylaminocarbonyl, trifluoremethylphenylaminocarbonyl,
- $R_2$  is hydrogen, hydroxy, ( $C_{1-4}$ ) alkyl, hydroxy ( $C_{1-4}$ ) alkyl, ( $C_{1-4}$ ) alkoxy, carboxy, ( $C_{2-5}$ )alkanoyloxy, ( $C_{1-4}$ ) alkoxycarbonyl, di( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylamino( $C_{1-4}$ )alkanoyl,

di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylaminomethyl, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,

- R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, carboxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylcarbamoyl, hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylaminomethyl, morpholinocarbonyl or 4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy,
- Is hydrogen, hydroxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, carboxy,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl, amino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, di $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkylcarbonyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, hydroxy $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, m-hydroxy-p-azidophenylcarbonylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, and
- R<sub>5</sub> is a group of formula

wherein

 $R_a$  and  $R_b$  independently are hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, carboxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, hydroxy $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_{2-7})$ alkanoyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trimethylsilylethynyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkynyl, amino, azido, amino  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino, monohalobenzylamino, thienylmethylamino, thienylcarbonylamino, trifluoromethylphenylaminocarbonyl, tetrazolyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoylamino, benzylcarbonylamino,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylaminocarbonylamino,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl-aminocarbonylamino or  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylsulfonyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy, and  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy or cyano, and  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy or cyano, and  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyloxyloxen, halogen or  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl.

More preferred compounds of formula I are those wherein X is as defined above and

R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, cyano, ethynyl or di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino,

- R₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, (C₁¬₄) alkoxycarbonyl, di(C₁¬₄)alkylaminomethyl, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,
- R<sub>3</sub> is as defined above,
- R<sub>4</sub> is hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, (C<sub>2-5</sub>)alkanoyloxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, amino (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl or hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, and
- R<sub>5</sub> is a group of formula

$$R_a$$
 or  $R_b$ 

wherein

 $R_a$  and  $R_b$  independently are hydrogen, halogen, nitro, cyano,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1,4})$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or  $(C_{2-5})$ alkynyl, and  $R_c$  and  $R_d$  are as defined above.

The agents of the invention include, for example, the compounds described in the examples hereinafter.

The usefulness of the agents of the invention in the treatment of the above-mentioned disorders could be confirmed in a range of standard tests including those indicated below:

At doses of about 10 to 100 mg/kg i.p. or p.o. with pretreatment times of 15 min. to 8 hours, the agents of the invention show anticonvulsive activity in the electroshock induced convulsion model [cf. E.A. Swinyard, J. Pharm. Assoc. Scient. Ed. <u>38</u>, 201 (1949) and J. Pharmacol. Exptl. Therap. <u>106</u>, 319 (1952)].

At doses of about 4 to about 40 mg/kg p.o., the agents of the invention show reversal of Freund complete adjuvant (FCA) induced hyperalgesia [cf. J. Donnerer et al., Neuroscience 49, 693-698 (1992) and C.J. Woolf, Neuroscience 62, 327-331 (1994)].

For all the above mentioned indications, the appropriate dosage will of course vary depending upon, for example, the compound employed, the host, the mode of administration and the nature and severity of the condition being treated. However, in general, satisfactory results in animals are indicated to be obtained at a daily dosage of from about 0.5 to about 100 mg/kg animal body weight. In larger mammals, for example humans, an indicated daily dosage is in the range from about 5 to 1500 mg, preferably about 10 to about 1000 mg of the compound conveniently administered in divided doses up to 4 times a day or in sustained release form.

Preferred compounds for the above mentioned indications include (3-{2-[2-trans-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethylamine (A), 2-methyl-6-styryl-pyridine (B), 2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine (C) and 2-(4-ethoxy-3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine (D). It has for example been determined that in the above-mentioned electroshock induced convulsion model, compounds A and B show anticonvulsive activity with ED<sub>50</sub>s of 30 and 35 mg/kg i.p. respectively (pretreatment times: 4 hours and 15 min. respectively) and that in the above-mentioned FCA induced hyperalgesia model, compounds C and D show reversal of the hyperalgesia with ED<sub>50</sub>s of 4.2 and 19 mg/kg p.o. respectively (post-treatment time: 3 hours).

As indicated above, the agents of the invention include novel 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo-pyridines and their salts, hereinafter referred to as "compounds of the invention".

Compounds of the invention include compounds of formula I as defined above, and their salts, wherein X and  $R_1$  to  $R_5$  are as defined above, provided that when  $R_3$  is hydrogen, a) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, monohalophenyl, 2,4- and 3,4-dichlorophenyl, 3- and 4-trifluoromethylphenyl, methylphenyl, 3,4- and 2,5-dimethylphenyl, 4-isopropylphenyl, 3,5-di-tert.-butylphenyl, methoxyphenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 2,4,5- and 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl, hydroxyphenyl, 3,5-dihydroxyphenyl, 4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethyl-phenyl, 3-hydroxy-4-methoxy- and 4-hydroxy-3-methoxy-phenyl, 4-hydroxy-(3-methyl-5-tert.-butyl-, 2- and 4-acetylaminophenyl, 3,5-diisopropyl- and 3,5-di-tert.-butyl)phenyl, 4-carboxy- and 4-ethoxycarbonylphenyl, 4-cyanophenyl, 3-methoxycarbonylphenyl, 3-carboxy-5-methoxy-phenyl, 2-pyridinyl, 5-chloro-2-pyridinyl and 6-methyl-2-pyridinyl when X denotes ethenylene, or  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-bromophenyl and 2- and 4-chlorophenyl when

X denotes 1,2-propylene attached to  $R_5$  in 2-position, or  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 2- and 4-chlorophenyl and 3-methoxyphenyl when X denotes 1,2-propylene attached to  $R_5$  in 1-position, or  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxyphenyl when X denotes 2,3-but-2-enylene or 1,2-but-1-enylene attached to  $R_5$  in 2-position, or  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxyphenyl and 4-isopropyphenyl when X denotes 2,3-pent-2-enylene attached to  $R_5$  in 3-position, or  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-methylphenyl, methoxyphenyl and 4-hydroxyphenyl when X denotes 3,4-hex-3-enylene;

- b) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  is methyl and  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl, 2-methoxyphenyl, 2-chlorophenyl, 4-cyanophenyl, 2-pyridinyl and 6-methyl-2-pyridinyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- c) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is carboxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl and 4-bromophenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- d) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methoxy-, 4-methoxy- and 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 2-chloro- and 2,4-dichlorophenyl and 6-methyl-pyrid-2yl when X denotes ethenylene or  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when X is 1,2-prop-1-enylene attached to  $R_5$  in 2-position;
- e) in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethyl-aminoethoxycarbonyl or 3-dimethylaminopropyloxycarbonyl,  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxyphenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- f) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethoxy-ethoxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-methylphenyl and 4-methoxycarbonylphenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- g)  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydroxy or ethoxy-carbonyl, or when  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydroxy, or when  $R_1$  is methyl,  $R_2$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is methoxy, or  $R_1$  is but-1-enyl,  $R_2$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydrogen, or  $R_1$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethoxyethoxy, and X is, in each case, ethenylene, and provided that, when  $R_3$  is hydrogen and X is ethynylene,
- a')  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 2- and 4-nitrophenyl, 4-aminophenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-ethoxycarbonylphenyl, 5-formyl-2-methoxy-phenyl, 5-carboxy-2-methyo-phenyl and pyridyl when  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen;
- b') in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl. 6-methylpyridin-2-yl and 2-methoxyphenyl when  $R_1$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different form 6-bromopyridin-2-yl when  $R_1$  is bromo, and  $R_5$  is different form 6-hexyloxypyridin-2-yl when  $R_1$  denotes hexyloxy;

c') in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-aminophenyl and 4-propylphenyl when  $R_2$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-cyanophenyl and 4-pentylphenyl when  $R_2$  is ethyl,  $R_5$  is different form 3-cyano-4-ethoxy-phenyland 3-bromo-4-methoxy-phenyl when  $R_2$  is butyl,  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxy-phenyl and 4 butyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is pentyl,  $R_5$  is different form 4-ter.-butylphenyl, 3-tert.-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenyl, 4-tert.-butyl-3-hydroxy-phenyl, and 4-hexyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is carboxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_2$  is methoxycarbonyl or methylcarbamoyl,  $R_4$  is different form 3-tert.-butylphenyl, 3-tert.-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenyl and 4-(4-methylpentyl)phenyl when  $R_2$  is ethoxycarbonyl, and  $R_5$  is different from 4-pentyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is 2-methylbutyloxycarbonyl;

d') in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_4$  is hydroxy, methyl, ethyl, carboxy, methoxycarbonyl or carbamoyl.

Preferred compounds of the invention are as indicated above for the agents of the invention.

The compounds of the invention can be prepared in analogy to the synthesis of known compounds of formula I.

Thus the compounds of the invention which are of formula I can be prepared for example by a process which comprises

a) reacting a compound of the formula II

with a compound of the formula  $Y_2 - R_5$  (III), in which either one of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  denotes lower alkanoyl and the other one represents lower alkyl or triarylphosphoranylidenemethyl, or one of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  denotes a reactive esterified hydroxy group and the other one represents a group  $Y_3 - X$ - in which  $Y_3$  is hydrogen or a metallic group, and  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  have the meanings indicated hereinbefore and functional groups  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  as well as functional substituents of  $R_5$  may be temporarily protected, or

b) eliminating H — Y<sub>4</sub> from a compound of the formula IV

$$R_{1}$$
 $R_{1}$ 
 $R_{3}$ 
 $R_{4}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 
 $R_{1}$ 
 $R_{4}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 
 $R_{1}$ 
 $R_{4}$ 
 $R_{5}$ 

in which  $Y_4$  denotes an electrofugal group and  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ , X and  $R_5$  have the meanings indicated hereinbefore and functional groups  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  as well as functional substituents of  $R_5$  may temporarily be protected, removing any temporary protecting groups

and, if desired, converting a compound of formula I obtainable by the above-defined processes into a different compound of formula I, resolving a mixture of isomers that may be obtained into the individual isomers and/or converting a compound of formula I having at least one salt-forming group obtainable by the above-defined processes into a salt, or converting a salt obtainable by the above-defined processes into the corresponding free compound or into a different salt.

A lower alkanoyl  $Y_2$  or, more preferably,  $Y_1$  group is, for example, a  $C_1$ - $C_3$ alkanoyl group, such as formyl, acetyl or propionyl, especially formyl. A lower alkyl group  $Y_1$  or, more preferably,  $Y_2$  is, for example, a  $C_1$ - $C_3$ alkyl group, such as methyl, ethyl or propyl, especially methyl. Triarylphosphoranylidenemethyl  $Y_2$  or, more preferably,  $Y_1$  is, for example, triphenylphosphoranylidenemethyl.

When one of Y<sub>1</sub> and Y<sub>2</sub> denotes a reactive esterified hydroxy group and the other one represents a group of the formula Y<sub>3</sub>–X- in which Y<sub>3</sub> denotes hydrogen, the condensation is preferably performed according to the Heck coupling method, for example, in the presence of copper or of a copper catalyst or of a noble metal/phosphine catalyst, such as Palladium or a Pdll salt in the presence of triaryl phosphine, for example, Palladium acetate, and of triphenylphosphine, or in the presence of bis-triphenylphosphine-palladium dichloride, preferably in the presence of a tri-lower alkyl amine, for example, trimethylamine, advantageously in the presence of Cu<sup>1</sup>-I, in a polar organic solvent such as N,N-di-lower alkyl-alkanoic acid amide, for example, dimethylformamide, a di-lower alkyl sulfoxide, for example, dimethylsulfoxide, or dioxan, at temperatures from appropriately 15° C to appropriately 120° C, preferably at the boil.

When one of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  denotes a reactive esterified hydroxy group and the other one represents a group of the formula  $Y_3$ —X- in which  $Y_3$  denotes a metallic group such as a

halo-magnesium group, the reaction is preferably performed according to Grignard method, wherein the metallic intermediate is preferably formed in situ.

When one of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  denotes lower alkanoyl and the other one represents lower alkyl, the intermolecular condensation of compounds of the formulae II and III is preferably performed according to the Shaw and Wagstaff method or one of its many modifications.

When one of Y<sub>1</sub> and Y<sub>2</sub> denotes lower alkanoyl and the other one represents triarylphosphoranylidenemethyl, the condensation is preferably performed according to the well known Wittig olefin-building method, preferably by forming the phosphoranylidene component from a corresponding triarylphosphonium halide *in situ*, for example, by reacting the latter with a metal base, such as an alkalimetal hydride, such as sodium hydride, or with a metal-organic base, such as a lower alkyl metal compound, such as butyllithium, or with an alkali metal alkanolate, for example, potassium tertiary butoxide, preferably in an inert organic solvent, such as an aromatic or arylaliphatic hydrocarbon, for example, benzene or toluene, at appropriately -10° C to appropriately 39° C, preferably first at 0° to 10° C and then at ambient temperature.

Electrofugal groups Y<sub>4</sub> are, for example, esterified hydroxy groups, such as hydroxy groups esterified with an organic acid, for example, lower alkanoyloxy or hydroxy groups esterified with an anorganic acid, for example, halo groups, or tertiary amino groups, such as tri-lower alkylamino groups, for example, trimethylamino, or lower-alkyleneamino, lower azaalkyleneamino, lower-oxyalkyleneamino or lower thiaalkyleneamino groups, such as pyrrolidino, piperidino, morpholino or thiomorpholino, or corresponding quaternary ammonium groups.

The protection of functional groups by such protecting groups, the protecting groups themselves and the reactions for their removal are described, for example, in standard works.

The elimination of  $H - Y_4$  from compounds of formula IV can be performed in a customary manner. Thus, water or lower alkanoic acids may be eliminated by means of azeotropic distillation, for example, in toluene, advantageously under mild-acidic conditions. Hydrogen halides may be removed under basic conditions such as reaction with an alkalimetal alkanolate, preferably in the corresponding lower alkanol as a solvent or co-solvent, or by heating in the presence of a tertiary amine, such as a tri-lower alkylamine.

The starting materials for the above described reactions are generally known. Novel starting materials can be obtained in manner analogous to the methods for the preparation of known starting materials.

Compounds of formula I obtainable in accordance with the process can be converted into different compounds of formula I in customary manner, for example a free carboxy group may be esterified or amidated, an esterified or amidated carboxy group may be converted into a free carboxy group, an esterified carboxy group can be converted into an unsubstituted or substituted carbamoyl group, a free amino group can be acylated or alkylated, and a free hydroxy can be acylated.

Also, compounds of the formula I can be oxidized by customary methods such as reaction with an organic peroxy acid, yielding the corresponding pyridine-N-oxide derivatives.

Salts of compounds of formula I can also be converted in a manner known *per se* into the free compounds, for example by treatment with a base or with an acid.

Resulting salts can be converted into different salts in a manner known per se.

The compounds of formula I, including their salts, may also be obtained in the form of hydrates or may include the solvent used for crystallization.

As a result of the close relationship between the novel compounds in free form and in the form of their salts, hereinbefore and hereinafter any reference to the free compounds and their salts is to be understood as including the free compounds, as well as the corresponding salts.

In a compound of formula I the configuration at individual chirality centers can be selectively reversed. For example, the configuration of asymmetric carbon atoms that carry nucleophilic substituents, such as amino or hydroxy, can be reversed by second order nucleophilic substitution, optionally after conversion of the bonded nucleophilic substituent into a suitable nucleofugal leaving group and reaction with a reagent introducing the original substituent, or the configuration at carbon atoms having hydroxy groups can be reversed by oxidation and reduction, analogously to European Patent Application EP-A-0 236 734.

The invention relates also to pharmaceutical compositions comprising compounds of formula I.

The pharmacologically acceptable compounds of the present invention may be used, for example, in the preparation of pharmaceutical compositions that comprise an effective amount of the active ingredient together or in a mixture with a significant amount of inorganic or organic, solid or liquid, pharmaceutically acceptable carriers.

The pharmaceutical compositions according to the invention are compositions for enteral, such as nasal, rectal or oral, or parenteral, such as intramuscular or intravenous, administration to warm-blooded animals (human beings and animals) that comprise an effective dose of the pharmacological active ingredient alone or together with a significant amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The dose of the active ingredient depends on the species of warm-blooded animal, body weight, age and individual condition, individual pharmacokinetic data, the disease to be treated and the mode of administration.

The pharmaceutical compositions comprise from approximately 1% to approximately 95%, preferably from approximately 20% to approximately 90%, active ingredient. Pharmaceutical compositions according to the invention may be, for example, in unit dose form, such as in the form of ampoules, vials, suppositories, dragées, tablets or capsules.

The pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention are prepared in a manner known *per se*, for example by means of conventional dissolving, lyophilizing, mixing, granulating or confectioning processes.

The doses to be administered to warm-blooded animals, for example human beings, of, for example, approximately 70 kg body weight, especially the doses effective in disorders caused by or associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, are from approximately 3 mg to approximately 3 g, preferably from approximately 10 mg to approximately 1 g, for example approximately from 20 mg to 500 mg, per person per day, divided preferably into 1 to 4 single doses which may, for example, be of the same size. Usually, children receive about half of the adult dose. The dose necessary for each individual can be monitored, for example by measuring the serum concentration of the active ingredient, and adjusted to an optimum level.

The following non-limiting Examples serve to illustrate the invention; temperatures are given in degrees Celsius, pressures in mbar.

#### **EXAMPLE 1**

3-[2-(6-Methylpyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile

A solution of 2,6-dimethyl pyridine (4.2ml, 36.28 mMol), 3-cyanobenzaldehyde (4.95g, 37.74 mMol) in acetic anhydride (6.85 ml) is heated under reflux for 16 hours. The acetic anhydride is then evaporated in vacuo and the residue purified on column chromatography (silica gel 400g). The column is first eluted with toluene (400 ml) and then with toluene/ethyl acetate 95:5. The fractions containing the desired compound are combined, evaporated in vacuo. The solid residue is recrystallized from methylene chloride/hexane and 3.18 g of white crystals are isolated. (melting point: 91-92°).

### **EXAMPLE 2:**

2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile

A solution of 2,6-dimethyl pyridine (5.8 ml, 50 mMol), 2-cyanobenzaldehyde (6.81 g, 52 mMol) in acetic anhydride (9.5 ml) is heated under reflux for 16 hours. The acetic anhydride is then evaporated in vacuo and the residue purified on column chromatography (silica gel 400g). The column is first eluted with toluene (400 ml) and then with toluene/ethyl acetate 95:5. The fractions containing the desired compound are combined, evaporated in vacuo. The solid residue is recrystallized from methylene chloride/diisopropyl ether and white crystals are isolated. (melting point: 113-114°).

### **EXAMPLE 3**

2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyridin-4-yl)-vinyl]-pyridine

A solution of 2,6-dimethyl pyridine (5.8 ml, 50 mMol), pyridine-4-carbaldehyde (4.9 ml, 52 mMol) in acetic anhydride (9.5 ml) is heated under reflux for 16 hours. The acetic anhydride is then evaporated in vacuo and the residue purified on column chromatography (silica gel 900g). The column is first eluted with toluene/acetone 4:1 (5 L), then with toluene/acetone 3:1 (5 L) and finally with toluene/acetone 2:1 (15 L). The fractions containing the desired compound are combined, evaporated in vacuo. The solid residue is recrystallized from methylene chloride/diisopropyl ether and 0.956 g of white crystals are isolated. (melting point: 72-73°C).

# EXAMPLE 4 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyridin-3-yl)-vinyl]-pyridine

A solution of 2,6-dimethyl pyridine (5.8 ml, 50 mMol), pyridine-3-carbaldehyde (4.9 ml, 52 mMol) in acetic anhydride (9.5 ml) is heated under reflux for 10 hours. The acetic anhydride is then evaporated in vacuo and the residue purified on column chromatography anhydride is then evaporated in vacuo and the residue purified on column chromatography (silica gel 900g). The column is first eluted with toluene/acetone 9:1 (7 L), then with toluene/acetone 4:1 (5 L) and finally with toluene/acetone 2:1 (5 L). The fractions containing the desired compound are combined, evaporated in vacuo. The solid residue is recrystallized from methylene chloride/diisopropyl ether and 4.28 g of a colorless oil which solidify upon standing at 6-8°C.

## EXAMPLE 5 2-[2-(3-Bromophenyl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

1.2 g (2.8 mMol) of 2-[1,2-dibromo-2-(3-bromophenyl)-ethyl]-6-methyl-pyridine are dissolved in 10 ml of ethanol. 0.9 g (16.1 mMol) of potassium hydroxide (powder) are added, and the resulting suspension is heated under reflux for 4 hours. The suspension is then cooled to room temperature, poured into 100 ml of brine and extracted thrice with 30 ml each of *t*-butyl methyl ether. The combined organic phases are washed with 30 ml of brine, dried over Sodium sulfate, filtrated and evaporated *in vacuo*. 0.720 g of the title compound are obtained as a colorless oil crystallizing on standing; melting point 60-61°.

The starting material can be obtained as follows:

## a) 2-[2-(3-Bromophenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

A solution of 24 ml (200 mMol) of 2,6-dimethyl pyridine and 25.6 ml (207 mMol) of 3-bromobenzaldehyde in 38 ml of acetic anhydride is heated under reflux for 7.5 hours. The acetic anhydride is then evaporated *in vacuo*, and the residue is dissolved in 500 ml of 4N hydrochloric acid and twice extracted with 200 ml each of hexane. The water phase is then extracted four times with 300 ml each of tert.-butyl methyl ether. The combined organic phases are washed twice with 300 ml each of a saturated solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> in water, then once with 300 ml of brine (300 ml), dried over sodium sulfate, filtrated and evaporated *in vacuo* yielding 4.2 g of the title compound as colorless crystals of melting point 58-59°.

## b) 2-[1,2-dibromo-2-(3-bromophenyl)-ethyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

1 g (3.6 mMol) of 2-(3-Bromo-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine are dissolved in 5 ml of carbon tetrachloride, and the solution is heated to 55-60°. A solution of 0.23 ml (4.4 mMol) of bromine Br<sub>2</sub> in 1 ml of carbon tetrachloride is added dropwise. The reaction mixture is maintained at 55-60° for 30 minutes and then cooled to room temperature. The resulting precipitate is collected by filtration and dried *in vacuo*. 1.3 g of the title compound in form of yellow crystals of melting point 164-166are isolated.

### **EXAMPLE 6**

### 3-[2-(6-Methylpyridin-2-yl)ethynyl]-benzonitrile

A mixture of 1 g (8.54 mMol) 2-ethynyl-6-methyl-pyridine (prepared in analogy to D. E. Ames et al., Synthesis, 1981, p. 364-5), 2.3 g (12.8 mMol) 3-bromo-benzonitrile, 0.47 g (0.7 mMol) bis-(triphenylphosphine)-palladium-II-chloride, 80 mg (0.41 mMol) cuprous iodide and 1.53 ml (15 mMol) triethylamine in 10 ml dimethylformamide is stirred for 3 hours at 90° C. The reaction mixture is cooled to ambient temperature, poured into water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer is dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, evaporated to dryness and the residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel with hexane/ethyl acetate (4:1) as eluant. Crystallization from hexane of the obtained product affords 0.53 g (28.4 %) of the title compound as brown crystals, melting point 120-3° C.

### **EXAMPLE 7**

In analogous manner to Example 1 (when X is alkenylene) or Example 5 (when X is alkynylene), the following compounds of formula I can be prepared:

Compound of formula I	Melting point (°C)
2-Styryl-pyridin-3-ol	249-252
2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	100-101
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	colorless oil
2-Methyl-6-styryl-pyridine	40-42
Acetic acid 6-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester	75-77
6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol	168-171
Acetic acid 2-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester	99-102

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2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol	232-234
6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-ol	261 dec
Acetic acid 2-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	92-94
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	232-234
(Z)-6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-ol	145-148
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	51-52
2-[2-(2-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	69-70
2-[2-(2-Nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	97-99
Acetic acid 2-[2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	102-103
Acetic acid 6-[2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	130-131
2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	275-278 dec
6-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	265-270 dec
Acetic acid 6-methyl-2-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester	139-140
6-Methyl-2-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol	190-195 dec
Acetic acid 2-methyl-6-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester	99-100
2-Methyl-6-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol	230-233 dec
Acetic acid 2-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	97-99
Acetic acid 6-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	112-114
2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	232-235
6-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	230-232
(Z)-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-methanol	69-70
(E)-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-methanol	58-60
2,2'-(1,2-Ethenediyl)bis[6-methyl]-pyridine	108-110
Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine;hydrochloride	136-139
salt	
(E)-6-[2-(2-Pyridyl)vinyl]-2-picoline	56-57
2-Methyl-6-styryl-pyridine 1-oxide	102-103
2-Styryl-pyridine 1-oxide	156-159
(E)-6-Methyl-2-(2-pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridin-3-ol	240-242
(Z)-6-Methyl-2-(2-pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridin-3-oi; HCl salt	225-228
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carbonitrile	92-93
2-[2-(2,6-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	light yell. oil
3-Methoxy-6-methyl-2-styryl-pyridine	light yell. oil
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid amide	141-142
2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile	113-114

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3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile	91-92
4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile	131-132
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid; HCl Salt	209-212
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid methyl ester	87-83
Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	colorless oil
2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	227-229
Acetic acid 2-methoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	102-103
2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	59-61
2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	83-85
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-5-ethyl-pyridine	34-35
1-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-ethanone	67-68
6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester	80-82
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester	70-72
2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid; HCl salt	218-219
3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid	150-151
4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid	206-207
3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester; HCl salt	237-238
4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester	112-113
2-Methoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	116-119
{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-methanol; HCl salt	230-231
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid .tertbutylamide	87-68
2-(2-Bromo-2-phenyl-vinyl)-6-methyl-pyridine; HCl salt	150-154
2-Methyl-6-phenylethynyl-pyridine; HCl salt	146-148
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid hexylamide; HCl salt	118-125
6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-nicotinic acid	219-221 dec
2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-nicotinic acid	168-170
2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	75-77
2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	44-45
(E)-6-[2-(4-pyridyl)vinyl]-2-Picoline	72-73
N,N-Diethyl-3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzamide; HCl salt	227-228
N,N-Diethyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzamide: HCl salt	183-184
(E)-6-[2-(3-pyridyl)vinyl]-2-Picoline	yellowish oil
{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetic acid ethyl	colorless gum
ester	

3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]N(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-benzamide;	249-251
HCI sali	
4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]N(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-benzamide	160-161
2-[2-(3-Nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	127-128
6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid (3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-amide	126-129
2-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-propan-2-ol, HCl salt	171-174
2-Methyl-6-(2-thiophen-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridine, HCl salt	208-211
2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	51-53
2-[2-(3-Cyano-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	85-86
2-[2-(3-Bromo-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	58-59
2-[2-(3-Bromo-phenyl)-2-fluoro-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	58-59
2-[2-(3,5-Dimethylphenyl)-2-fluoro-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	70-72
2-[2-(2,3-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	colorless oil
2-[2-(2,3-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	67-68
2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-1-methyl-vinyl]-pyridine	colorless oil
{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-methanol	87-90
2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-trimethylsilanylethynyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-[2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	61-62
2-[2-(3-Ethynyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-[2-(3,5-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	ye!lowish oil
2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-[2-(3-Methoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-phenoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-I2-(3-Benzyloxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	68-69
2-[2-(2,5-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	44-45
{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetic acid	230-233
(3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-	203-205
amine	
{6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-methanol	131-133
2-(3-Bromo-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	61-63
2-Methyl-6-{2-[3-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenoxy)-phenyl]-vinyl}-pyridine	yeilcwish oil
2-[2-(3,5-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	43-45
2-[2-(3,5-Dimetrioxy-prietry)-viriyi]-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine	52-53
	yellowish oil
Acetic acid 4-bromo-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	yellowish oil
Acetic acid 3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	1 7 0110111311 011

73-75
246-248
156-158
159-161
154-156
yellowish oil
99-101
97-99
yellowish oil
yellowish gum
yellowish oil
28-90
50-51
yellowish oil
85-86
yellowish oil
126-129
pale orange foam
147
156
166-168
197 dec
215
197 dec
134-135
147-148
218-220
286 dec
240-242
131-132
55-56
yellowish oil

2-[2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl}-6-methyl-pyridine	85-86
Acetic acid 2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	yellowish oil
2-Methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	118-120
2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,6-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	59-62
2-[2-(4-Fluoro-3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-Methyl-6-(2,3,6-trifluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	93-94
Acetic acid 4-chloro-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	yellowish oil
Acetic acid 2,6-ditertbutyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester	127-128
3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzamide	187-189
Acetic acid 4-bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl	151-153
ester	
2-(6-Chloro-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	105-106 light brown
	crystals
2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine	127-129
2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-pyridine	111-113
5-Azido-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	143 dec
2-[2-(Pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	light yellow crystals
	60-61
N-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-succinamic acid	212-213
1-tertButyl-3-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-urea	191-192
5-({3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamino}-methyl)-7-nitro-1,4-	250 dec
dihydro-quinoxaline-2,3-dione	
Tetrahydro-furan-2-carboxylic acid {3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-	160-161
phenyl}-amide	
(1-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-2-phenyl-ethyl)-	colorless foam
carbamic acid tertbutyl ester	
({3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-methyl)-carbamic	colorless foam
acid tertbutyl ester	
Diethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine	217 dec
Ethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine	225 dec
Ethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine	183 dec
2-(2-Ethoxy-3,6-difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oii
2-(3,5-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-(3-Fiuoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	26-28
2-[2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	56-57

2-[2-(3,4-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	55-56
2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	73-74
2-(4-Ethoxy-3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pvridine	61-62
2-(4-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	98-100
2-Methyl-6otolylethynyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	65-68
2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,5-trichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	80-82
1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-ethanone	76-78
2-Methyl-6-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	35-37
2-Methyl-6-(3-nitro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	99.5-102.5
6-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-2-methyl-pyridine	98-100
{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-morpholin-4-yl-methanone	123-125
(3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	207-210
N-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-succinamic acid	201 dec
N-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-2-phenyl-acetamide	236-237 dec
({4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-methyl)-carbamic	144-145 dec
acid .tertbutyl ester  1-tertButyl-3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-urea	209 dec
{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-thiophen-2-ylmethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	161-162
Cyclohexylmethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine hydrochloride salt	178-179 dec
{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-thiophen-2-vlmethyl-amine	100
Cyclohexylmethyl-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-vl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine	106-107
2-Amino-N-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-3-phenyl-propionamide	102
2-Amino-N-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-acetamide	105
2-Amino-N-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-acetamide	217-219 dec
1-[1-({2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetyl)-	amorphous foam
piperidin-4-yl}-imidazolidin-2-one (1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamino}-ethyl)-phosphonic acid	orange amorphous
dimethyl ester	129-130
2-[2-(2-Methoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	1 120 100

2-(3-Ethoxy-4-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	82-83
2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	57-59
1-(3-Pyridin-2-ylethynyl-phenyl)-ethanone	48-51
4-Chloro-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	256-260
4-Bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	121-123
2-Methyl-6- mtolyletnynyl-pyridine	57-58
2-(2,5-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	49-50
2-(3.5-Dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	yellowish oil
2-{2-(3,5-Dibromo-phenyl)-vinyl}-6-methyl-pyridine	68-70
2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyrimidin-5-yl)-ethynyl]-pyridine	110-112
(2-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-ethyl)-dimethyl-	165-167
amine	
Acetic acid 1-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yi)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethyl ester	
3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	250-251
3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenylamine	129-130
N-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-2-phenyl-acetamide	133-135 dec
Thicphene-2-carboxylic acid [3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-	156-157 dec
amide	
2-Methyl-6-(thiophen-2-ylethynyl)-pyridine	34-36
3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzoic acid ethyl ester	56-58
2-(3,5-Dibromo-phenylethvnyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	100:101
{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ylmethyl}-dimethyl-amine	227-229 dec
(3-{6-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-	184-186
5-Azido-4-iodo-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	red glass
2.6-Di-tert-butyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	126-127
1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethanol	97-99
2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-ethynyl]-pyridine	144-145
[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-phenyl-methanone	99-100
6-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one	189-191
2-(3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	101-103
isoindole-1,3-dione	
	<del></del>
3-Methoxy-6-methyl-2mtolylethynyl-pvridine	brown oil
3-Methoxy-6-methyl-2mtolylethynyl-pvridine  Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-4-nitro-phenyl ester	brown oil 129-131

N-Methyl-N-(3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-	62-70
acetamide	
2-[2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1-ethoxy-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	yellow oil
Acetic acid 2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	brown oil
Acetic acid 6-methyl-2mtolylethynyl-pyridin-3-yl ester	brown oil
Acetic acid 4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenyl ester	91-93
2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-4-nitro-phenol	275 dec
Dimethyl-[3-(2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine	yellowish oil
Dimethyl-(3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-amine	240-243
1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethanone	56-58
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-quinoline	81-83
Acetic acid 2-methyl-6-styryl-pyridin-3-yl ester	93-96
4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol	141-143
3-Ethoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol	175-178 dec
4-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-2-nitro-phenol	184-187 dec
Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-6-nitro-phenyl ester	105-110 dec
Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine	yellow gum
2-Azido-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol	155-157 dec
Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2mtolylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine	yellowish oil
2-(3-Methanesulfonyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	108-110 dec
3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propylamine	186-189
4-Azido- N(3-{2-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-	99-102 dec
propyl)-2-hydroxy-benzamide	
3-[3-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl]-benzonitrile	yellow gum
5-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-indan-1-one	133-134
2-Methyl-6-(2,3,5-trichloro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	112-114
2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	118-119
Dimethyl-{3-[6-methyl-2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridin-3-yloxy]-	yellow gum
propyl}-amine	
2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-3-methoxy 6-methyl-pyridine	198-199
hydrochloride salt	
2-Methyl-6-(5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalen-2-ylethynyl)-pyridine	50-51
3-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propylamine	151-153
(3-{4-Bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-	211-215
dimethyl-amine;	<u> </u>

[6-(3-Fluoro-phenvlethynyl)-pyridin-2-yl]-dimethyl-amine	brown oil
6'-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2.H[1,2]bipyridinyl	brown gum
{3-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-dimethyl-	158-160
amine	
4-AzidoN{3-[2-(3-chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-	161-163 dec
propyl}-2-hydroxy-benzamide	
1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-1H-[1,2,4]triazole-3-carboxylic	105-110 dec
acid ethyl ester	
1-[3-(6-Methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-piperidin-3-ol	108-109
2-Ethynyl-6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	89-90
3-Methyl-6-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-3H-benzooxazol-2-one	172-174
1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-1H-[1,2,4]triazole-3-carboxylic	154-157
acid dimethylamide	
1-[3-(6-Methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-piperidin-4-ol	amorphous white
	solid
5-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-2-nitro-phenol	150-151 dec
5-[2-Bromo-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol	158-159
5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-E-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol	171-173
5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-Z-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol	108-110
4-Azido-2-hydroxyN[3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-benzamide	180-182 dec
5-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-phenylethynyl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid	160-162
ethyl ester	
6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyrimidin-4-ol	221-225
2-Ethyl-6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	brown oil
2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	74-76
2-Methyl-6-(3-trifluoromethoxy-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	<30; brown crystals
2-Methyl-6-(3-[1,2,4]triazol-1-yl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	128-130
4-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phthalonitrile	138-140
2-Methyl-6-{2-[3-(1.Htetrazol-5-yl)-phenyl]-vinyl}-pyridine; compound with	234-240
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formic acid 3-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propylamine	97-100
{3-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-	171-173
dimethyl-amine	yellowish oil
2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine	1
2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol	251-253 Dec.

6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester	84-86
2-Azido-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol	153-155 dec
6-(3,4-Dimethoxy-phenylethynyl)-5-(3-dimethylamino-propoxy)-pyridine-2-	149-152
carboxylic acid ethyl ester  2-(4-Methoxy-3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	36-87
	brown oil
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methoxy-pyridine	74-76
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-5-methyl-pyridine	
6-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-5-(3-dimethylamino-propoxy)-pyridine-2-	195-198
carboxylic acid ethyl ester	
5-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-(3,5-dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine-2-	187-190
carboxylic acid ethyl ester	
6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-nicotinic acid	173-175
[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-methanol	116-118
[4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-	138-140
pyridin-3-yl}-methanone	
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester	brown oil
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-4,6-dimethyl-pyridine	brown oil
6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)N(5-methoxy-indan-2-ylmethyl)-2-methyl-	157-159
nicotinamide	
{[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridine-3-carbonyl]-amino}-phenyl-	133-135
acetic acid methyl ester	
2-Methyl-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-ylethynyl)-pyridine	58-59
2-Methyl-6-(2,3,5-trimethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	brown oil
3-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propan-1-ol	86-88
[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ylmethyl]-dimethyl-amine	220-222
2,2-Dimethyl-propionic acid 3-[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-	yellowish oil
3-yloxy]-propyl ester	
2-Azido-4-iodo-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol	140 dec
6-Azido-2.4-diiodo-3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol	162 dec
4-Azido-2-hydroxy-5-iodoN[3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-	185 dec
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benzamide  Acetic acid 3-acetoxymethyl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzyl ester	brown oil
	brown oil
(Benzyl-{[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-acetyl}-	DIOWIT OII
amino)-acetic acid ethyl ester	76 77
2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid ethyl ester	76-77

3-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pvridin-3-yloxy]-propan-1-ol	72-74
[3-Hydroxymethyl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-methanol	115-117
(3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	yellowish gum
dimethyl-amine	150 150
[4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-{6-[2-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-	156-158
pyridin-3-yl}-methanone	0.15 0.10
2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid	245-248
{6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-[4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-	109-112
piperidin-1-yl]-methanone	
2-(3-Ethynyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	48-49
(3-{2-[2-(2,6-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	207-210
dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	
(3-{2-[2-(2,3-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	161-169
dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	
4-[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridine-3-carbonyl]-piperazine-1-	97-99
carboxylic acid .tertbutyl ester	
[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-piperazin-1-yl-methanone	250-252 dec
[4-(4-Azido-2-hydroxy-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-	186-188 dec
2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-methanone	
(3-{2-[2-(2,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	170-176 ·
dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid ethyl ester	89-91
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid .tertbutyl ester	94-96
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid	231 dec
[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-yl]-methanol	143-146
[4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-	156-158
pyridin-4-yl]-methanone	
3-Allyloxy-2-[2-(3,5-dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine	105-106
[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-yl]-morpholin-4-yl-	114-116
methanone	
Acetic acid 3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzyl ester	brown cil
[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-ylmethyl]-dimethyl-amine	209-212
(3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-propenyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	182-184
dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	
2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine	vellowish oil

(3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	171-174
(4-Azido-2-hydroxy-5-icdo-phenyl)-{4-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-	195-200 dec
pyridine-3-carbonyl}-piperazin-1-yl}-methanone  4-AzidoN{3-[2-(3-chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-	142-150 dec
propyl}-2-hydroxy-5-iodo-benzamide	
4-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-benzoic acid ethyl ester	100-102
(3-{2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-	159-171
amine hydrochloride salt	43-45
[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-methanol	96-98
6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-nicotinic acid .tertbutyl ester	
(3-{2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-	174-177
dimethyl-amine hydrochloride salt	<u> </u>
2-(1-Bromo-2-phenyl-vinyl)-4-methyl-pyrimidine	yellow oil
6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-nicotinic acid	223 dec.
[4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridin-3-	136.0-139.0
yl]-methanone 2-(2tertButoxy-3,6-difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	72.0-74.0
2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,4,5-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	74-76
2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,4-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	79-82
	142-144
3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-vlethynyl)-phenol  2-Methyl-6-[2-(3,4,5-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine	74-76
	55-57
2-(3-Methoxy-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine	104-106
2-Methyl-6-(2,3,4-trifluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine	1 10-7 100

(dec = decomposition)

### Claims:

- 1. A 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazoand 2-heteroarylazo- pyridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for use in the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.
- 2. A 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylalkynyl-, 2-heteroarylalkynyl-, 2-arylazoand 2-heteroarylazo- pyridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for use in the treatment of epilepsy, cerebral ischemia, ischemic diseases of the eye, muscle spasms, convulsions, pain, acute, traumatic and chronic degenerative processes of the nervous system and psychiatric diseases.
- 3. A compound of formula I

$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{3}} X - R_{5}$$

$$R_{1} = N$$

$$(1),$$

wherein

R<sub>1</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy-lower alkyl, lower alkyl-amino, piperidino, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted N-lower-alkyl-N-phenylcarbamoyl, lower alkoxy, halo-lower alkyl or halo-lower alkoxy,

R<sub>2</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy or lower alkanoyloxy, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,

R<sub>3</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, lower alkoxy-carbonyl, lower alkyl-carbamoyl, hydroxy- lower alkyl, di- lower alkyl- aminomethyl, morpholinocarbonyl or 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy,

R<sub>4</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, amino-lower alkyl, lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, di-lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, unsubstituted or hydroxy-substituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino-lower alkoxy,

phthalimido-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or hydroxy- or 2-oxo-imidazolidin-1-ylsubstituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkoxy, carboxy, esterified or amidated carboxy, carboxy-lower-alkoxy or esterified carboxy-lower-alkoxy, X represents an optionally halo-substituted lower alkenylene or alkynylene group bonded via vicinal unsaturated carbon atoms or an azo (-N=N-) group, and R<sub>s</sub> denotes an aromatic or heteroaromatic group which is unsubstituted or substituted by one or more substituents selected from lower alkyl, halo, halo-lower alkyl, halolower alkoxy, lower alkenyl, lower alkynyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkynyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, lower alkanoyloxy-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkenyloxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-, lower alkylamino-, lower alkanoylamino- or N-lower alkyl-N-lower alkanoylamino-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkoxy, acyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, cyano, carboxy-lower alkylamino, esterified carboxy-lower alkylamino, amidated carboxylower alkylamino, phosphono-lower alkylamino, esterified phosphono-lower alkylamino, nitro, amino, lower alkylamino, di-lower alkylamino, acylamino, N-acyl-Nlower alkylamino, phenylamino, phenyl-lower alkylamino, cycloalkyl-lower alkylamino or heteroaryl-lower alkylamino each of which may be unsubstituted or lower alkyllower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted, in free form or in form of a photoaffinity ligand, a radioactive marker, an N-oxide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt,

for use in the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutaminergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.

- 4. The use of a compound according to claim 3, in the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.
- 5. The use of a compound according to claim 3, for the manufacture of a pharmaceutical composition designed for the treatment of disorders associated with irregularities of

the glutamatergic signal transmission, and of nervous system disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.

### 6. A compound of formula I

$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{3}} X - R_{5}$$

$$R_{1} = N$$

$$(1),$$

wherein

R<sub>1</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy-lower alkyl, lower alkyl-amino, piperidino, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted N-lower-alkyl-N-phenylcarbamoyl, lower alkoxy, halo-lower alkyl or halo-lower alkoxy,

R<sub>2</sub> denotes hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy or lower alkanoyloxy, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,

R<sub>3</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, carboxy, lower alkoxy-carbonyl, lower alkyl-carbamoyl, hydroxy- lower alkyl, di- lower alkyl- aminomethyl, morpholinocarbonyl or 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy,

R<sub>4</sub> represents hydrogen, lower alkyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-lower alkyl, amino-lower alkyl, lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, di-lower alkylamino-lower alkyl, unsubstituted or hydroxy-substituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino-lower alkoxy, di-lower alkylamino-lower alkoxy, phthalimido-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or hydroxy- or 2-oxo-imidazolidin-1-yl-substituted lower alkyleneamino-lower alkoxy, carboxy, esterified or amidated carboxy, carboxy-lower-alkoxy or esterified carboxy-lower-alkoxy,

X represents an optionally halo-substituted lower alkenylene or alkynylene group bonded via vicinal unsaturated carbon atoms or an azo (-N=N-) group, and R<sub>5</sub> denotes an aromatic or heteroaromatic group which is unsubstituted or substituted by one or more substituents selected from lower alkyl, halo, halo-lower alkyl, halo-lower alkoxy, lower alkenyl, lower alkynyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl, unsubstituted or lower alkyl-, lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkynyl, hydroxy,

hydroxy-lower alkyl, lower alkanoyloxy-lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkenyloxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkanoyloxy, amino-, lower alkylamino-, lower alkanoylamino- or N-lower alkyl-N-lower alkanoylamino-lower alkoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenoxy, unsubstituted or lower alkyl- lower alkoxy-, halo- and/or trifluoromethyl-substituted phenyl-lower alkoxy, acyl, carboxy, esterified carboxy, amidated carboxy, cyano, carboxy-lower alkylamino, esterified carboxy-lower alkylamino, amidated carboxy-lower alkylamino, phosphono-lower alkylamino, esterified phosphono-lower alkylamino, nitro, amino, lower alkylamino, di-lower alkylamino, acylamino, N-acyl-N-lower alkylamino, phenylamino, phenyl-lower alkylamino, cycloalkyl-lower alkylamino or heteroaryl-lower alkylamino each of which may be unsubstituted or lower alkyl-lower alkyl-lowe

in free form or in form of a photoaffinity ligand, a radioactive marker, an N-oxide cr a pharmaceutically acceptable salt,

provided that, when R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen,

- a) in compounds of the formula I in which R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are hydrogen, R<sub>5</sub> is different from phenyl, monohalophenyl, 2,4- and 3,4-dichlorophenyl, 3- and 4trifluoromethylphenyl, methylphenyl, 3,4- and 2,5-dimethylphenyl, 4-isopropylphenyl, 3,5-di-tert.-butylphenyl, methoxyphenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 2,4,5- and 3,4,5trimethoxyphenyl, hydroxyphenyl, 3,5-dihydroxyphenyl, 4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl, 3-hydroxy-4-methoxy- and 4-hydroxy-3-methoxy-phenyl, 4-hydroxy-(3-methyl-5-tert.-butyl-, 2- and 4-acetylaminophenyl, 3,5-diisopropyl- and 3,5-di-tert.butyl)phenyl, 4-carboxy- and 4-ethoxycarbonylphenyl, 4-cyanophenyl, 3methoxycarbonylphenyl, 3-carboxy-5-methoxy-phenyl, 2-pyridinyl, 5-chloro-2-pyridinyl and 6-methyl-2-pyridinyl when X denotes ethenylene, or R₅ is different from phenyl, 4methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-bromophenyl and 2- and 4-chlorophenyl when X denotes 1,2-propylene attached to R<sub>5</sub> in 2-position, or R<sub>5</sub> is different from phenyl, 2and 4-chlorophenyl and 3-methoxyphenyl when X denotes 1,2-propylene attached to R<sub>5</sub> in 1-position, or R<sub>5</sub> is different from 4-methoxyphenyl when X denotes 2,3-but-2enylene or 1,2-but-1-enylene attached to R<sub>5</sub> in 2-position, or R₅ is different from 4methoxyphenyl and 4-isopropyphenyl when X denotes 2,3-pent-2-enylene attached to R<sub>5</sub> in 3-position, or R<sub>5</sub> is different from phenyl, 4-methylphenyl, methoxyphenyl and 4hydroxyphenyl when X denotes 3,4-hex-3-enylene;
- b) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  is methyl and  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl, 2-methoxyphenyl, 2-chlorophenyl, 4-cyanophenyl, , 2-pyridinyl and 6-methyl-2-pyridinyl when X denotes ethenylene;

- c) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is carboxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl and 4-bromophenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- d) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methoxy-, 4-methoxy- and 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 2-chloro- and 2,4-dichlorophenyl and 6-methyl-pyrid-2yl when X denotes ethenylene or  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when X is 1,2-prop-1-enylene attached to  $R_5$  in 2-position; e) in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethylaminoethoxycarbonyl or 3-dimethylaminopropyloxycarbonyl,  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxyphenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- f) in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethoxyethoxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-methylphenyl and 4-methoxycarbonylphenyl when X denotes ethenylene;
- g)  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydroxy or ethoxycarbonyl, or when  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydroxy, or when  $R_1$  is methyl,  $R_2$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is methoxy, or  $R_1$  is but-1-enyl,  $R_2$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is hydrogen and  $R_4$  is 2-dimethoxyethoxy, and X is, in each case, ethenylene,
- and provided that, when R₃ is hydrogen and X is ethynylene,
- a')  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 2- and 4-nitrophenyl, 4-aminophenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-ethoxycarbonylphenyl, 5-formyl-2-methoxy-phenyl, 5-carboxy-2-methyo-phenyl and pyridyl when  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen;
- b') in compounds of the formula I in which  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 3-methylphenyl. 6-methylpyridin-2-yl and 2-methoxyphenyl when  $R_1$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different form 6-bromopyridin-2-yl when  $R_1$  is bromo, and  $R_5$  is different form 6-hexyloxypyridin-2-yl when  $R_1$  denotes hexyloxy;
- c') in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_4$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-aminophenyl and 4-propylphenyl when  $R_2$  is methyl,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl, 4-cyanophenyl and 4-pentylphenyl when  $R_2$  is ethyl,  $R_5$  is different form 3-cyano-4-ethoxy-phenyland 3-bromo-4-methoxy-phenyl when  $R_2$  is butyl,  $R_5$  is different from 4-methoxyphenyl and 4 butyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is pentyl,  $R_5$  is different form 4-ter.-butylphenyl, 3-tert.-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenyl, 4-tert.-butyl-3-hydroxy-phenyl, and 4-hexyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is carboxy,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_2$  is methoxycarbonyl or methylcarbamoyl,  $R_4$  is different form 3-tert.-butylphenyl, 3-tert.-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenyl and 4-(4-methylpentyl)phenyl when  $R_2$  is ethoxycarbonyl, and  $R_5$  is different from 4-pentyloxyphenyl when  $R_2$  is 2-methylbutyloxycarbonyl;

d') in compounds of the formula I wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are hydrogen,  $R_5$  is different from phenyl when  $R_4$  is hydroxy, methyl, ethyl, carboxy, methoxycarbonyl or carbamoyl.

## 7. A compound according to claim 6, wherein

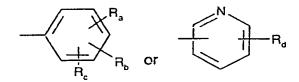
- X represents an optionally halo-substituted (C<sub>2-4</sub>)alkenylene or alkynylene group bonded via vicinal unsaturated carbon atoms,
- R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, cyano, ethynyl, carboxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino, (C<sub>1-6</sub>)alkylaminocarbonyl, trifluoromethylphenylaminocarbonyl,
- R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen, hydroxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, hydroxy (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkoxy, carboxy, (C<sub>2-5</sub>)alkanoyloxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkoxycarbonyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkanoyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylaminomethyl, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,
- $R_3$  is hydrogen,  $(C_{1-4})$  alkyl, carboxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylcarbamoyl, hydroxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, di( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylaminomethyl, morpholinocarbonyl or 4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy,
- R<sub>4</sub> is hydrogen, hydroxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, carboxy, (C<sub>2-5</sub>)alkanoyloxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, amino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl-(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, m-hydroxy-p-azidophenylcarbonylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, and

wherein

 $R_a$  and  $R_b$  independently are hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, carboxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, hydroxy $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_{2-7})$ alkanoyl,

 $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trimethylsilylethynyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkynyl, amino, azido, amino  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy, di $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino, di $(C_{1-4})$ alkylamino, monohalobenzylamino, thienylmethylamino, thienylcarbonylamino, trifluoromethylphenylaminocarbonyl, tetrazolyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoylamino, benzylcarbonylamino,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylaminocarbonylamino,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxycarbonyl-aminocarbonylamino or  $(C_{1-4})$ alkylsulfonyl,  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkoxy or cyano, and  $(C_{2-5})$ alkanoyloxy,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl.

- 8. A compound according to claim 6, wherein
  - R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkyl, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, cyano, ethynyl or di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino,
  - R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>) alkoxycarbonyl, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylaminomethyl, 4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-t.-butyloxycarbonyl-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy, 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy or 4-(4-azido-2-hydroxy-3-iodo-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl-carboxy,
  - R<sub>3</sub> is as defined in claim 7,
  - R<sub>4</sub> is hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, (C<sub>2-5</sub>)alkanoyloxy, (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl, amino (C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkoxy, di(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl or hydroxy(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, and
  - R<sub>5</sub> is a group of formula



wherein

 $R_a$  and  $R_b$  independently are hydrogen, halogen, nitro, cyano,  $(C_{1-4})$ alkyl,  $(C_{1-6})$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or  $(C_{2-5})$ alkynyl, and  $R_c$  and  $R_d$  are as defined in claim 7.

- 9. A compound according to claim 6, selected from
  - 3-[2-(6-Methylpyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile
  - 2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile

- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyridin-4-yl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyridin-3-yl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Bromophenyl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 3-[2-(6-Methylpyridin-2-yl)ethynyl]-benzonitrile
- 2-Styryl-pyridin-3-ol
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine

Acetic acid 6-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester

6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol

Acetic acid 2-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester

2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol

6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-ol

Acetic acid 2-[2-(2-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol

(Z)-6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-ol

2-[2-(2-Nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine

Acetic acid 2-[2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 6-[2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol

6-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ol

Acetic acid 6-methyl-2-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester

6-Methyl-2-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol

Acetic acid 2-methyl-6-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester

2-Methyl-6-[2-(2-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol

Acetic acid 2-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 6-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol

6-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ol

- (Z)-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-methanol
- (E)-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-methanol

Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2-styryl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine;

- 2-Methyl-6-styryl-pyridine 1-oxide
- 2-Styryl-pyridine 1-oxide
- (E)-6-Methyl-2-(2-pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridin-3-ol
- (Z)-6-Methyl-2-(2-pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridin-3-ol;
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carbonitrile
- 2-[2-(2,6-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

- 3-Methoxy-6-methyl-2-styryl-pyridine
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid amide
- 2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzonitrile
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid;
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid methyl ester

Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol

Acetic acid 2-methoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

- 2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-5-ethyl-pyridine
- 1-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-ethanone
- 6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid;
- 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid
- 4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid
- 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester
- 4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester
- 2-Methoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- {3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-methanol;
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid .tert.-butylamide
- 2-(2-Bromo-2-phenyl-vinyl)-6-methyl-pyridine;
- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid hexylamide;
- 6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-nicotinic acid
- 2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-nicotinic acid
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- (E)-6-[2-(4-Pyridyl)vinyl]-2-picoline
- N,N-Diethyl-3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzamide;
- N,N-Diethyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-benzamide;
- (E)-6-[2-(3-pyridyl)vinyl]-2-Picoline
- {2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetic acid ethyl ester
- 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-.N.-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-benzamide;
- 4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-.N.-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-benzamide
- 2-[2-(3-Nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine

- 6-Styryl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid (3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-amide
- 2-(6-Styryl-pyridin-2-yl)-propan-2-ol
- 2-Methyl-6-(2-thiophen-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Cyano-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Bromo-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Bromo-phenyl)-2-fluoro-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dimethylphenyl)-2-fluoro-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,3-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,3-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-1-methyl-vinyl]-pyridine
- {2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-methanol
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-trimethylsilanylethynyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Ethynyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methy!-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Methoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(3-phenoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Benzyloxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,5-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- {2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetic acid
- (3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- {6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-methanol
- 2-(3-Bromo-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-{2-[3-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenoxy)-phenyl]-vinyl}-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine

Acetic acid 4-bromo-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

Acetic acid 3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

- 2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 4-Bromo-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol

Acetic acid 2-[2-(3,5-dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 6-[2-(3,5-dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 2-[2-(3,5-dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yl ester

- 2-Methyl-6-(2-naphthalen-1-yl-vinyl)-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,3-Dihydro-benzo[1,4]dioxin-6-yl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

- 2-Methyl-6-(2-naphthalen-2-yl-vinyl)-pyridine
- 2-{2-[3-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-phenyl]-vinyl}-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-propenyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,3-Dihydro-benzofuran-5-yl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(4-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2-o-tolyl-vinyl)-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2-p-tolyl-vinyl)-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2-p-tolyl-propenyl)-pyridine
- 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamine
- (2,3-Dimethoxy-7-nitro-quinoxalin-5-ylmethyl)-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine
- N-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-acetamide
- N-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-2-phenyl-acetamide
- 2,2-Dimethyl-N-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-propionamide

Thiophene-2-carboxylic acid {3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amide

Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid {3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amide

- 1-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-3-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-urea
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol
- 6-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ol
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-ol
- 2-[2-(6-Chloro-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(2,3-Difluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-propenyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

Acetic acid 2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

- 2-Methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,6-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-[2-(4-Fluoro-3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2,3,6-trifluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine

Acetic acid 4-chloro-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

Acetic acid 2,6-di-.tert.-butyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzamide

Acetic acid 4-bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl ester

2-(6-Chloro-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

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2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine
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2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-pyridine

5-Azido-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol

2-[2-(Pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

N-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-succinamic acid

1-tert.-Butyl-3-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-urea

5-({3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamino}-methyl)-7-nitro-1,4-dihydro-quinoxaline-

2,3-dione

Tetrahydro-furan-2-carboxylic acid {3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amide

(1-{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-2-phenyl-ethyl)-carbamic acid tert.-

butyl ester

({3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-methyl)-carbamic acid tert.-butyl ester

Diethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine

Ethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine

Ethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine

2-(2-Ethoxy-3,6-difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-(3,5-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-[2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

2-[2-(3,4-Dimethoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-(4-Ethoxy-3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-(4-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-Methyl-6-o-tolylethynyl-pyridine

2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,5-trich!oro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine

1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-ethanone

2-Methyl-6-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine

2-Methyl-6-(3-nitro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine

6-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-3-methoxy-2-methyl-pyridine

{2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-morpholin-4-yl-methanone

(3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine

N-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-succinamic acid

N-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-2-phenyl-acetamide

({4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylcarbamoyl}-methyl)-carbamic acid .tert.-butyl ester

1-(tert.-Butyl-3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-urea

{3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-thiophen-2-ylmethyl-amine hydrochloride salt

Cyclohexylmethyl-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine hydrochloride salt

{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-thiophen-2-ylmethyl-amine

Cyclohexylmethyl-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-amine

- 2-Amino-N-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-3-phenyl-propionamide
- 2-Amino-N-{3-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-acetamide
- 2-Amino-N-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-acetamide
- 1-[1-({2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-acetyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-

#### imidazolidin-2-one

- (1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenylamino}-ethyl)-phosphonic acid dimethyl ester
- 2-(3-Ethoxy-4-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 1-(3-Pyridin-2-ylethynyl-phenyl)-ethanone
- 4-Chloro-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 4-Bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 2-(2,5-Difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3,5-Dibromo-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- 3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzonitrile
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyrimidin-5-yl)-ethynyl]-pyridine
- (2-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-ethyl)-dimethyl-amine

Acetic acid 1-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethyl ester

- 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenylamine
- .N.-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-2-phenyl-acetamide

Thiophene-2-carboxylic acid [3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-amide

- 2-Methyl-6-thiophen-2-ylethynyl-pyridine
- 3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzoic acid ethyl ester
- 2-(3,5-Dibromo-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- {2-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ylmethyl}-dimethyl-amine
- (3-{6-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-
- 5-Azido-4-iodo-2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 2,6-Di-tert.-butyl-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol
- 1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethanol
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-ethynyl]-pyridine
- [3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-phenyl-methanone

- 6-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolin-2-one
- 2-(3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-isoindole-1,3-dione
- 3-Methoxy-6-methyl-2-.m.-tolylethynyl-pyridine

Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-4-nitro-phenyl ester

- 6-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-indan-1-one
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(pyrazin-2-yl)-ethynyl]-pyridine
- N-Methyl-.N.-(3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-acetamide
- 2-[2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-1-ethoxy-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

Acetic acid 2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 6-methyl-2-m-tolylethynyl-pyridin-3-yl ester

Acetic acid 4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenyl ester

2-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-4-nitro-phenol

Dimethyl-[3-(2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine

Dimethyl-(3-{4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-amine

- 1-{4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-ethanone
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-quinoline

Acetic acid 2-methyl-6-styryl-pyridin-3-yl ester

- 4-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol
- 3-Ethoxy-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol
- 4-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-2-nitro-phenol

Acetic acid 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-6-nitro-phenyl ester

Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine

2-Azido-4-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenol

Dimethyl-[3-(6-methyl-2-.m.-tolylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-amine

- 2-(3-Methanesulfonyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 3-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propylamine
- 4-Azido-N-(3-{2-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-2-hydroxy-

#### benzamide

- 3-[3-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl]-benzonitrile
- 5-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-indan-1-one
- 2-Methyl-6-(2,3,5-trichloro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-6-methyl-pyridine

Dimethyl-{3-[6-methyl-2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-amine

- 2-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yl)ethynyl]-3-methoxy 6-methyl-pyridine hydrochloride salt
- 2-Methyl-6-(5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalen-2-ylethynyl)-pyridine
- 3-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propylamine

- (3-{4-Bromo-2-methoxy-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-phenoxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine;
- [6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridin-2-yl]-dimethyl-amine
- 6'-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2H-[1,2']bipyridinyl
- {3-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-dimethyl-amine
- 4-Azido-N-{3-[2-(3-chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-2-hydroxy-

#### benzamide

- 1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-1H-[1,2,4]triazole-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester
- 1-[3-(6-Methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-piperidin-3-ol
- 2-Ethynyl-6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 3-Methyl-6-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-3H-benzooxazol-2-one
- 1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-1H-[1,2,4]triazole-3-carboxylic acid
- 1-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-1H-[1,2,4]triazole-3-carboxylic acid dimethylamide
- 1-[3-(6-Methyl-2-phenylethynyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-propyl]-piperidin-4-ol
- 5-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-2-nitro-phenol
- 5-[2-Bromo-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol
- 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-E-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol
- 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-Z-vinyl]-2-nitro-phenol
- 4-Azido-2-hydroxy-N-[3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-benzamide
- 5-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-phenylethynyl-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester
- 6-Methyl-2-styryl-pyrimidin-4-ol
- 2-Ethyl-6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(3-trifluoromethoxy-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(3-[1,2,4]triazol-1-yl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 4-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phthalonitrile
- 2-Methyl-6-{2-[3-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-phenyl]-vinyl}-pyridine; compound with formic acid
- 3-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propylamine
- {3-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl}-dimethyl-amine
- 2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-ol
- 6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 2-Azido-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol
- 6-(3,4-Dimethoxy-phenylethynyl)-5-(3-dimethylamino-propoxy)-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester
- 2-(4-Methoxy-3-trifluoromethyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methoxy-pyridine

- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-5-methyl-pyridine
- 6-(3,5-Dichloro-phenylethynyl)-5-(3-dimethylamino-propoxy)-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester
- 5-(3-Dimethylamino-propoxy)-6-(3,5-dimethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester
- 6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-nicotinic acid
- [6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-methanol
- [4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-methanone
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-nicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-4,6-dimethyl-pyridine
- 6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-.N.-(5-methoxy-indan-2-ylmethyl)-2-methyl-nicotinamide
- {[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridine-3-carbonyl]-amino}-phenyl-acetic acid methyl ester
- 2-Methyl-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-ylethynyl)-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2,3,5-trimethyl-phenylethynyl)-pyridine
- 3-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propan-1-ol
- [6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-ylmethyl]-dimethyl-amine
- 2,2-Dimethyl-propionic acid 3-[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propyl ester
- 2-Azido-4-iodo-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol
- 6-Azido-2,4-diiodo-3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol
- 4-Azido-2-hydroxy-5-iodo-.N.-[3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-benzamide

Acetic acid 3-acetoxymethyl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzyl ester

- (Benzyl-{[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-acetyl}-amino)-acetic acid ethyl ester
- 2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 3-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy]-propan-1-ol
- [3-Hydroxymethyl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-methanol
- (3-[2-[2-(3,5-Dimethyl-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- [4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-{6-[2-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-methanone
- 2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid
- [6-[2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl}-[4-(4-fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-methanone
- 2-(3-Ethynyl-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine

- (3-{2-[2-(2,6-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- (3-{2-[2-(2,3-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- 4-[6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridine-3-carbonyl]-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid tert.-butyl ester
- [6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-piperazin-1-yl-methanone
- [4-(4-Azido-2-hydroxy-benzoyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridin-3-yl]-methanone
- (3-{2-[2-(2,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl}-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid ethyl ester
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid .tert.-butyl ester
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-isonicotinic acid
- [2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-yl]-methanol
- [4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[2-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-yl]-methanone
- 3-Allyloxy-2-[2-(3,5-dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridine
- [2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-yl]-morpholin-4-yl-methanone

Acetic acid 3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-benzyl ester

- [2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridin-4-ylmethyl]-dimethyl-amine
- (3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-propenyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- 2-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-3-methoxy-6-methyl-pyridine
- (3-{2-[2-(3,5-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- (4-Azido-2-hydroxy-5-iodo-phenyl)-{4-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-pyridine-3-carbonyl]-piperazin-1-yl}-methanone
- 4-Azido-N-{3-[2-(3-chloro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyrid:n-3-yloxy]-propyl}-2-hydroxy-5-iodo-benzamide
- 4-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-vinyl)-benzoic acid ethyl ester
- (3-{2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- [3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenyl]-methanol
- 6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-nicotinic acid tert.-butyl ester
- (3-{2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethyl-amine
- 2-(1-Bromo-2-phenyl-vinyl)-4-methyl-pyrimidine
- 6-(3-Fluoro-phenylethynyl)-nicotinic acid
- [4-(4-Fluoro-benzoyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[6-(3-fluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridin-3-yl]-methanone
- 2-(2-.tert.-Butoxy-3,6-difluoro-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,4,5-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(2,3,4-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine

- 3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-ylethynyl)-phenol
- 2-Methyl-6-[2-(3,4,5-trifluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-pyridine
- 2-(3-Methoxy-phenylethynyl)-6-methyl-pyridine
- 2-Methyl-6-(2,3,4-trifluoro-phenylethynyl)-pyridine and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.
- 10. (3-{2-[2-trans-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-vinyl]-6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy}-propyl)-dimethylamine in free form or in form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
- 11. A pharmaceutical composition comprising as pharmaceutical active ingredient, together with customary pharmaceutical excipients, a compound according to any of claims 6 to 10, in free form or in form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
- 12. A method of treating disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR1 or mGluR5, which method comprises administering to a warm-blooded organism in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of an 2-arylalkenyl-, 2-heteroarylalkenyl-, 2-arylazo- and 2-heteroarylazo- pyridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{3}} R_{4} \times X - R_{5} \qquad (1)$$

#### (57) Abstract

Compounds of the formula (I), wherein X and R1 to R5 are as defined in the description, are useful for treating disorders mediated full or in part by mGluR5.

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